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MINUTES

OF THE

Sixty-Third Session

OF THE

STATE CONVENTION

OF THE

Baptist Denomination

IN

SOUTH CAROLINA,

HELD WITH THE

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CHARLESTON,

NOVEMBER 21-25, 1883.

GREENVILLE, S. C.:
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C. H. JUDSON, Greenville, S. C.

Executive Board.

Location—Greenville.

C. Manly, President; C. H. Judson, Vice President; James A. Hoyt, Auditor; Rich'd H. Griffith, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer; J. A. Mundy, J. C. Smith, A. S. Townes, W. C. Lindsay, John Stout, J. L. Vass, Luther Broaddus, T. P. Bell, A. J. S. Thomas.

Next Meeting.

Place—Marion.

Time—Thursday before the Fourth Sunday in November, 1884.

Convention Sermon by Rev. Chas. A. Stakely; Alternate, Rev. I. W. Wingo.

Committees.

On Obituary Notices—J. C. Furman, O. M. Miller, M. R. Suares, G. T. Graham, T. J. Taylor, J. A. Dill, D. W. Cuttino, J. D. Mahon, R. S. Williams, Preston Harley, T. W. Mellichamp, G. F. Williams, E. J. Mullinax, M. A. Gunter, G. H. Carter, A. J. McCoy, G. M. Tolson, A. W. Price, D. W. Hiott, J. D. Pitts, C. P. Ervin, J. D. Rutledge, C. A. Baynard, W. P. Smith, D. C. Freeman, A. J. Hires, A. M. Noble, R. W. Lide, J. E. Covington.

On Foreign Missions—C. A. Stakely, A. C. Wilkins, B. C. Lampley, G. W. McIver, J. M. Bostick.

On Home Missions—W. T. Hundley, T. J. Earle, E. B. Murray, J. B. O. Landrum, J. T. Lewis.

MINUTES.

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,
CHARLESTON, S. C., November 21, 1883.

The Convention met at 10 o'clock, and was called to order by the President, B. W. Edwards.

After the reading of the 84th Psalm by the President, and singing, the Convention was led in prayer by James C. Furman.

The list of Associations was called and the names of the delegates present were enrolled as follows:

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

ASSOCIATIONS:

Abbeville—H. C. Smart, O. M. Miller, B. F. Miller, R. N. Pratt, M. G. Broaddus, Ben Chiles, A. M. Dodson..... 7

Barnwell—W. D. Rice, R. M. Mixon, I. A. Blanton, J. F. Buist, F. J. Sanders, J. J. Getsinger, M. R. Suares, D. S. Hair, P. H. Cooper, P. J. Hiers, J. Snelling, J. M. Bostick..... 12

Bethel—E. P. Earle..... 1

Broad River—A. A. Gault, J. D. L. Going, G. W. Going, W. T. Tate, T. J. Taylor..... 5

Charleston—Wm. Thayer, J. J. H. Stoudemire, T. P. Smith, S. Bishop, A. J. S. Thomas, B. C. Lampley, G. A. Norwood, A. J. White, S. Hyde, E. H. Cuttino, C. A. Stakely, G. W. McIver, F. A. Silcox, Zimmerman Davis, S. Hyde, Jr., L. H. Shuck, J. G. Milnor, T. A. Wilbur, J. H. Abbey, T. S. Nipson, T. L. Riggs..... 21

Chester—L. C. Hinton, R. W. Sanders, John D. Mahon..... 3

Colleton—J. T. Hiers, J. E. Pelham, R. S. Williams..... 3

Edisto—M. W. Rankin, S. T. Fuller, J. A. Seigler, J. C. Browne, Lucius Cuthbert, D. W. Seigler..... 6

Edgefield—N. G. Cooner, J. H. Edwards, R. B. Watson, G. F. Williams, G. W. Bussey, J. C. Morgan, W. T. Hundley, W. B. Shaw, G. D. Walker, J. P. Mealing..... 10

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Fairfield—W. C. Lindsay, C. G. Bradford, B. F. Corley, W. J. Alexander, T. W. Mellichamp..... 5

Fork—

Greenville—James C. Furman, Chas. Manly, Rich'd H. Griffith, E. J. Mullinax, J. A. Hoyt, M. L. Donaldson, D. T. Smith, R. F. Whilden, C. H. Judson, A. S. Townes, W. W. Keys..... 11

Lexington—M. A. Gunter..... 1

Moriah—J. S. Croxton, A. S. Willeford, A. J. McCoy, P. T. Twitty, J. B. Gregory, John Hough, M. J. Hough, J. E. King..... 8

Orangeburg—G. M. Tolson, T. M. Galphin, B. Williamson, W. B. Mack, P. D. Friday, J. C. Heaner..... 6

Pee Dee—T. P. Lide, W. E. Thomas, A. W. Price, J. A. W. Thomas, Rufus Ford, J. F. McMillan..... 6

Piedmont—D. W. Hiott..... 1

Reedy River—William B. Elkin, Luther Broaddus, M. E. Broaddus, J. M. Smith, J. W. Scott, J. R. Leavell, R. Y. Leavell, J. D. Pitts, W. H. Fowler..... 9

Saluda—T. P. Bell, M. B. McGee, J. A. Robinson, T. L. Clinkscales..... 4

Santee—H. W. Mahony, Joseph Rutledge, J. W. Perry, C. C. Brown, D. M. Bradham, T. V. Walsh, B. G. Covington, James E. Tindal, F. C. Thomas, D. L. DeSaussure, S. W. Woodward, E. R. Lesesne..... 12

Savannah River—J. A. Lawton, B. W. Whilden, C. A. Baynard, Fred Jones, A. C. Wilkins, W. H. Dowling, J. F. Morrall, E. W. Peeples, D. J. Peeples..... 9

Spartanburg—J. S. Ezell, J. L. Vass, L. C. Ezell, A. B. Woodruff. 4

Twelve Mile River—James T. Burdine..... 1

Union County—R. M. Robinson, A. J. Hires, F. C. Jeter, C. T. Scaife..... 4

Waccamaw—

Welsh Neck—B. W. Edwards, John Stout, L. D. Bass, J. Q. Adams, J. S. M. Smith, F. C. Hickson, Rob't N. Howle, A. McA. Pittman, Lide Wilson, A. F. Edwards, G. B. Moore, F. O. S. Curtis, S. F. Cole, S. H. Miller, J. H. Hicks, E. J. C. Byrd, M. J. Fountain, T. H. Burruss, J. J. Lawton, Alvah Byrd, S. M. Richardson, C. N. Doualdson, J. L. Rollins, H. W. Carter..... 24

York—J. E. Covington, J. T. Alexander..... 2

OTHER BODIES:

Bethel Church—J. E. Ezell..... 1

Batesburg Church—J. K. Pace, W. B. Plunkett..... 2

Gaffney Church—I. W. Wingo..... 1

Sumter Church—Edgar Haynesworth..... 1
Philadelphia Church—W. P. Smith..... 1
Greenville Sunday School—J. A. Mundy, R. S. Morgan, J. C. Smith..... 3
Columbia Sunday School—W. H. Lyles..... 1
Manning Church—J. G. Dinkins..... 1
Chester Church—Thomas M. Sanders..... 1

Total..... 187

An election was held for President, J. L. Vass and R. N. Pratt acting as tellers, and resulted in the choice of B. W. Edwards, as President of the Convention.

An election for Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer was held, L. D. Bass and R. N. Howle acting as tellers, and resulted as follows: Vice President, T. P. Smith; Secretary, Luther Broaddus; Assistant Secretary, A. B. Woodruff, and Treasurer, C. H. Judson.

The President announced the following

COMMITTEES TO REPORT THIS YEAR:

On Preaching for the Present Meeting—A. J. S. Thomas, G. A. Norwood, Simeon Hyde, Sr., C. A. Stakely, T. P. Smith.

On Accounts—F. A. Silcox, R. B. Watson, M. L. Donaldson, W. B. Plunkett.

On Time and Place of Next Meeting and Persons to Preach—T. M. Galphin, J. S. Croxton, J. R. Leavell, W. D. Rice, M. B. McGee.

On Nomination of an Executive Board—J. A. W. Thomas, J. L. Vass, J. T. Hiers, C. G. Bradford, N. G. Cooner.

On Applications for Membership—A. F. Edwards, E. C. Haynesworth, J. C. Willingham, S. T. Fuller, J. K. Pace.

The President announced the following

COMMITTEES TO REPORT NEXT YEAR:

On Obituary Notices—J. C. Furman, O. M. Miller, M. R. Suares, G. T. Graham, T. J. Taylor, J. A. Dill, D. W. Cuttino, J. D. Mahon, R. S. Williams, Preston Harley, T. W. Mellichamp, G. F. Williams, E. J. Mullinax, M. A. Gunter, G. H. Carter, A. J. McCoy, G. M. Tolson, A. W. Price, D. W. Hiott, J. D. Pitts, C. P. Ervin, J. D. Rutledge, C. A. Baynard, W. P. Smith, D. C. Freeman, A. J. Hires, A. M. Noble, R. W. Lide, J. E. Covington.

On Foreign Missions—C. A. Stakely, A. C. Wilkins, B. C. Lampley, G. W. McIver, J. M. Bostick.

On Home Missions—W. T. Hundley, T. J. Earle, E. B. Murray, J. B. O. Landrum, J. T. Lewis.

Wm. Thayer moved that the hours of meeting and adjourning be as follows: Meet at 10:30 A. M.; adjourn at 3 P. M. Meet at 7:30 P. M.; adjourn at pleasure. The motion was adopted.

On motion of R. W. Sanders, visiting brethren were welcomed to seats, and the following were reported: Basil Manly, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; I. T. Tichenor, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board; H. A. Tupper, Corresponding Secretary Foreign Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention; G. A. Nunnally, Secretary Building Department Home Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention; J. L. M. Curry, Agent Peabody Education Fund; J. T. Ellyson, *Religious Herald*, Richmond; C. C. Bitting, Bible Secretary American Baptist Publication Society of Philadelphia; G. O. Robinson, Augusta, Ga.; O. F. Gregory, Charlotte, N. C.; J. C. Hemphill, *The News and Courier*.

On motion of John Stout, it was ordered that a committee be raised on Order of Business of this meeting. Committee: John Stout, H. C. Smart, C. H. Judson, T. P. Bell, L. H. Shuck.

John Stout read the Annual Report of the Central Committee, Women's Mission Societies, and the report was laid on the table.

On motion of A. J. S. Thomas, it was ordered that the Convention Sermon be preached this evening at 7½ o'clock.

R. H. Griffith, Corresponding Secretary, read the Annual Report of the Executive Board, which was referred to the following committees:

As to Women's Missions—J. A. Mundy, J. D. Pitts, W. T. Hundley, E. C. Hickson, G. B. Moore.

As to Mrs. Harley's Bequest—W. Thayer, Zimmerman Davis, J. C. Smith, A. F. Edwards, J. M. Bostick.

As to the Future of the Board—J. L. Vass, T. P. Smith, G. A. Norwood, W. B. Plunkett, J. S. Croxton.

The report of the Central Committee, Women's Mission Societies, was taken from the table, and on motion was referred to the Committee on that part of the Report of the Executive Board with regard to Women's Missions.

The President announced that the business of the Convention would be suspended for half an hour for devotional exercises. G. F. Williams led the meeting, and prayer was offered by Fred Jones and O. F. Gregory.

R. W. Sanders read the Report on Obituaries, and the report was adopted.

It was moved by J. A. W. Thomas, and adopted, that the chairman of the committee on Foreign Missions be allowed to submit his report at such time as the committee on order of exercises may suggest.

I. W. Wingo read the Report on Home Missions, which on motion of W. D. Rice, was laid on the table.

John Stout from the committee on order of exercises reported, and the report was adopted.

On motion, the rules of the Convention were changed by striking out so much as requires the appointment of a Committee on Sunday Schools and a Committee on List of Preachers and their Post Offices.

It was ordered that a balance in the hands of the Treasurer from a collection at the last Convention be turned over to Furman University.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to have the file of unbound minutes of the Convention in his hands, bound for the use of the Convention.

The Annual Report of the Statistical Secretary was read and adopted.

The Convention adjourned with prayer by J. A. W. Thomas.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The Convention Sermon was preached at 7½ o'clock by Charles Manly from John 4: 36, "And he that reapeth receiveth wages and gathereth fruit unto life eternal; that both he that soweth and he that reapeth, may rejoice together."

After the sermon, the Convention was called to order and the report on order of exercises was reconsidered and recommitted to the committee, who reported again, and the report as finally corrected was adopted, as follows:

Report of Committee on Order of Exercises.

Thursday 11 A. M., Exercises celebrating the Bi-centennial of the First Church. Addresses by Rev. B. Manly, D.D., Rev. H. A. Tupper, D. D.

Thursday 7:30. Continuation of the exercises of the morning. Address by Rev. J. C. Furman, D.D.

Friday 12 M. Report of the Committee on the work of the Home Mission Board. Addresses by Rev. I. T. Tichenor, D.D., Rev. G. A. Nunnally, D.D., Rev. Lansing Burrows, D.D.

Friday 1:30 P. M. Report of the Committee on the work of the Foreign Mission Board. Addresses by Rev. H. A. Tupper, D.D., Rev. J. L. M. Curry, LL.D.

Friday 7:30 P. M. At the Citadel Square Church. Report of the Board of Trustees of Furman University. Addresses by Rev. C. Manly, D.D., and Rev. J. L. M. Curry, LL.D.

Saturday 11 A. M. Report of the Committee on Bequest of Mrs. Harley.

Saturday 12 M. Report of the Committee on Woman's Mission Work.

Saturday 1 P. M. Report of the Committee on Future Work of the State Mission Board. Addresses by Rev. R. H. Griffith, Cor. Sec., and Rev. J. A. Mundy, D.D.

Saturday 7:30 P. M. At the Citadel Square Church. Consideration of the Bible Work of the American Baptist Publication Society. Address by Rev. C. C. Bitting, D.D., Cor. Sec'y.

R. H. Griffith offered a resolution with reference to systematic contributions, which was adopted.

Adjourned with prayer by C. C. Bitting.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The Convention met at 10:30, and was called to order by the President. C. T. Scaife led in prayer.

On motion of R. H. Griffith, the resolution offered by him and adopted by the Convention with reference to systematic contributions was reconsidered and withdrawn.

It was moved and carried that the special order for 11 o'clock be suspended for 10 minutes.

R. H. Griffith renewed his motion with reference to systematic contributions, and remarks were made by I. T. Tichenor and James C. Furman.

The hour for the special order having arrived, the Convention receded from business, and exercises celebrating the bi-centennial of the First Church were held, with addresses by Basil Manly, of Kentucky, and H. A. Tupper, of Virginia.

The Convention resumed the consideration of the resolution of R. H. Griffith, and remarks were made by G. A. Nunnally. Pending the discussion of the resolution, the Convention adjourned, with prayer by Lansing Burrows.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The Convention was called to order at 7½ o'clock, and the special order being the continuation of the exercises celebrating the bi-centennial of the First Church, these exercises were continued by singing, the reading of the Scriptures and prayer by C. C. Bitting, and an address by James C. Furman.

At the close of the exercises, the Convention adjourned with prayer by R. W. Sanders.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The Convention was called to order by the President at 10½ o'clock, and led in prayer by Basil Manly.

The Minutes were read and confirmed.

On motion of J. A. Mundy, the resolution of R. H. Griffith with reference to systematic contributions, was referred to the Executive Board of the Convention.

The report of the Treasurer of the Convention was read and adopted.

C. N. Donaldson offered a resolution with reference to publishing the addresses delivered in connection with the celebration of the bi-centennial of the First Church.

M. E. Broaddus moved to refer to a special committee. L. C. Ezell moved to amend by referring to the Executive Board. J. A. Hoyt moved to lay on the table, and his motion prevailed.

R. H. Griffith read his annual report as Treasurer of the Executive Board, and the report was adopted.

The report of the Committee to nominate an Executive Board was read. W. H. Lyles moved to amend by striking out Greenville as the location, and inserting Columbia. G. F. Williams moved to recommit the report with the proposed amendment. W. D. Rice moved to lay on the table, and his motion prevailed.

On motion of S. M. Richardson, a committee of five, consisting of S. M. Richardson, M. E. Broaddus, B. W. Whilden, E. W. Peeples, C. T. Scaife, was appointed to revise the Constitution and rules of the Convention, to report at this meeting.

S. M. Richardson offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the custom prevailing in some of our churches of extending annual calls to their pastors is detrimental both to the churches and pastors.

The hour for the special order, being the Report on Home Missions, having arrived, the report was taken from the table. Addresses were delivered by I. T. Tichenor, G. A. Nunnally and Lansing Burrows.

The hour for the special order, the Report on Foreign Missions, having arrived, the report was read by Charles Manly, and a motion made for its adoption. Addresses were delivered by C. C. Bitting and J. L. M. Curry. Pending the motion to adopt, the Convention adjourned.

FRIDAY EVENING.

The Convention met in the Citadel Square Church, and was called to order by the President at 7½ o'clock. S. M. Richardson led in prayer.

The President announced the special order, the Report of the Board of Trustees of Furman University, and the report was read by John Stout. It was moved that the report be received as information and printed in the minutes. Addresses were made by Charles Manly and J. L. M. Curry, and the motion was carried.

The motion to adopt the Report on Foreign Missions, pending at the time of adjournment, was put and carried.

The resolution to adopt the Report on Home Missions, pending when the hour for the special order for 1½ o'clock arrived, was adopted.

The Convention adjourned with prayer by John Stout.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY MORNING.

At half-past ten o'clock, the Convention was called to order by the President, and prayer was offered by F. C. Jeter.

On motion of J. F. Morrall, the report of the Committee to Nominate an Executive Board was taken from the table. The motion to recommit and the motion to strike out Greenville and insert Columbia being lost, the original report as presented by the committee was adopted.

A preamble and resolution offered by F. C. Hickson, with reference to the church building and lot at Chesterfield C. H., were referred to the Executive Board with power to act in the premises.

The following resolutions, offered by Luther Broaddus, were adopted:

Resolved, That we commend the Church Building Department of the Home Mission Board to the churches, Sunday Schools and Woman's Mission Societies connected with this Convention as an object eminently worthy of their support and patronage.

Resolved, That we endeavor to raise $2,500 for this department during the ensuing year.

S. M. Richardson, from the committee on the Constitution and Rules of the Convention, reported, and the report was adopted.

The report of the committee on Mrs. Harley's bequest was read by Zimmerman Davis, and on the motion to adopt remarks were made by J. A. W. Thomas, Wm. Thayer, G. A. Nunnally, Zimmerman Davis and B.

W. Edwards. On motion of C. H. Judson, the report was amended and then adopted.

J. A. Mundy, from the committee on that part of the report of the Executive Board as to Woman's Missions, read their report. After remarks by John Stout and I. T. Tichenor, the report was adopted.

An election was held for Statistical Secretary, L. C. Ezell and A. W. Price acting as tellers, and resulted in the choice of Luther Broaddus. On motion of A. B. Woodruff, it was ordered that the salary of the Statistical Secretary be $100.00.

T. M. Galphin, from the Committee on time and place of next meeting, reported and the report was adopted.

The hour for the special order having arrived, J. L. Vass read the report on the Future Work of the Board. Addresses were made by J. A. Mundy and R. H. Griffith, and the report was adopted.

On motion of James C. Furman, the acknowledgments of the Convention for his kind invitation to visit the public schools of the city were tendered Mr. William Simons, Superintendent.

On motion of J. A. W. Thomas, the motion to adopt the report on time and place of next meeting was reconsidered, and after remarks by T. P. Lide, J. F. McMillan and J. A. Hoyt, the report was amended by striking out Greenville and inserting Marion and was adopted.

C. N. Donaldson offered a resolution with reference to the Bible Work of the American Baptist Publication Society, which on motion of J. F. Morrall was made the special order in connection with the address of C. C. Bitting to-night at 7½ o'clock.

Adjourned with prayer by B. G. Covington.

SATURDAY EVENING.

The Convention met in the Citadel Square Church and was opened with prayer by C. A. Baynard.

The special order being the consideration of the Bible Work of the American Baptist Publication Society, the resolution of C. N. Donaldson on the subject was read and after an address by C. C. Bitting, Bible Secretary, was adopted as follows:

In view of the necessity of the Bible Department of our denomination, now under the control of the Baptist Publication Society of Philadelphia, and represented by our own honored and beloved Dr. Bitting; and in view of the recent happy unity of American Baptists on this great Bible question so long in dispute. Be it—

Resolved, That our hearty co-operation be given to our Publication

Society in the work of Bible distribution among the destitute; and that our churches are earnestly requested to contribute annually and liberally for this purpose.

On motion of J. F. Morrall, the following resolution was adopted:

That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Charleston for the hearty welcome and the generous hospitality extended to the Convention; to the press of the city for full and accurate reports of the proceedings; to such railroads as have given reduced rates, and to the Christian denominations who have tendered us their houses of worship.

Adjourned with prayer by O. M. Miller.

FIFTH DAY.

SUNDAY.

The pulpits of the city generally were occupied by ministers in attendance on the Convention.

In the afternoon the Bi-Centennial exercises of the First Church were concluded, with an address on the history of the Sunday School by O. F. Gregory.

At night memorial services in honor of the late E. T. Winkler were held in the Citadel Square Church, with addresses by L. H. Shuck, Basil Manly, I. T. Tichenor and James C. Furman.

At the close of these exercises the parting hymn was sung and the Convention adjourned, with prayer by J. A. W. Thomas.

B. W. EDWARDS, President.

LUTHER BROADDUS, Secretary.

A. B. WOODRUFF, Assistant Secretary.

REPORTS.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

To the State Convention of Baptists in South Carolina:

In submitting its Annual Report, the Executive Board desires to express its very deep interest, in common with our brotherhood throughout the State, in the auspicious occasion that permits the Convention to share with the First Church of Charleston in the glad services of praise and thanksgiving on its Two Hundreth Anniversary.

When the little band of Baptists set up the banner of the Cross in "Charles Town," then little more than a hamlet, what is now the State of South Carolina was an almost unbroken wilderness. What hath God wrought! The little one has become a thousand. There are to-day in South Carolina more thousands of Baptists than there were then individual Baptists in the entire colony. If this session of the Convention, held amid so many hallowed memories, shall serve to increase our faith, intensify our zeal, and enlarge our liberality, we may hope that in the years to come it may be referred to by those entering upon our labors as an important epoch in the history of the Baptists of South Carolina.

During the year, our work in State Missions has been somewhat enlarged, though not to the extent we hoped at the beginning of the year. Forty-four missionaries have been under appointment for the whole or a part of the year. These have labored in twenty-six of the twenty-seven Associations in the State. We have done mission work in nearly every county in the State. The fields for mission work in the State are of two kinds—one demanding the labors of the evangelist, the other those of the pastor. The success of the former creates the demand for the latter. Under the faithful labors of our missionaries, the fields requiring the labors of an evangelist are being gradually lessened in number and extent. These are now found principally in three sections of the State—the broad strip of sea-coast, averaging from fifty to a hundred miles in width; the belt of sand hills running through the middle of the State, and the extreme mountain region in the upper part of the State. There will likely be need for evangelistic work in these sections for years to come. While some of these fields give little or no promise of ever having self-supporting churches, their very poverty constitutes a strong plea for the aid of those who rejoice in the heritage of Him who said, "The poor ye have always with you."

The two belts lying between the sections above mentioned are the most prosperous portions of the State. In these are to be seen the most rapid development of material prosperity, and the consequent increase of population. Through these, new railroads are threading their way, and fac-

tories are dotting their streams. Old towns are increasing in population, and rapidly coming into a prominence they never knew before, while new ones are springing up as if by magic. A prudent foresight would dictate the wisdom of occupying these places at the earliest possible moment. Your Board deprecates the unnecessary, and hence unwise, multiplication of churches, and seeks to impress its views on this matter upon the brethren under its appointment; yet it is fully persuaded that a wise economy demands that important centres should be occupied and every effort made to establish in them self-supporting churches. To accomplish this purpose, something more is needed than an occasional sermon or a transient monthly visit by the missionary. These new interests need earnest and persistent pastoral labor, and the history of State Missions for the past few years clearly demonstrates the wisdom of the outlay necessary to secure such service. There are a number of prosperous churches in the State that owe their success and present efficiency to God's blessing upon the fostering care and timely aid of your Board. It is a noteworthy fact that the churches thus established or aided by the Board are among the most active and liberal churches in the State.

While we deem it unnecessary to give, as in our last Report, a detailed account of our entire work, whose results call for heartfelt gratitude to God for His blessings on our offerings and our labors, it may be proper to mention some of the facts that mark the year's work.

At Clinton, in Laurens County, the church, after two years' help, is able to maintain worship in their excellent new house, free of debt, under most flattering prospects. The same is true of Due West, in Abbeville County, where our success has been exceedingly gratifying. The churches at Midway, in Barnwell, and Ephesus, in Marion, have become self-supporting. Lancaster will need less, if any, aid next year. In addition to the houses of worship built at McCormick's in Abbeville County, and the two on Brother Hiott's field, there are several others under way and will doubtless be completed early next year.

Of the new stations occupied this year, the following are worthy of special note:

New Allendale is the most important point on the Port Royal and Augusta Railroad. The small band of Baptists here had been organized into a church, and were worshipping in a union meeting house under most discouraging prospects. Taking heart at the aid furnished by the Board in supporting their pastor, they have gone to work to build and have secured an eligible lot, and hope to have their house ready for service by spring.

After many efforts, the Board succeedeed this year in obtaining a missionary for Winnsboro. Brother Bradford has been greatly encouraged, while the hearts of the few Baptists who had long been toiling and waiting and watching have been made glad. The outlook for substantial, if not rapid, growth at Winnsboro is full of hope.

Four months of the year had passed before we could get a suitable brother for our work at Yorkville. Already, however, the labors of Brother J. E. Covington have met with a measure of success that our most sanguine expectations had not dared to hope for in so short a time.

At Welford, on the Air-Line Railroad, Brother Wingo began his labors in April. The brethren at once insisted upon being organized into a church, and have already secured a lot and material for a house of worship. There is every prospect that this church will at an early day become self-supporting and exert a potential influence throughout the community.

At Chesterfield C. H., Brother Hickson has met with encouraging success, which demonstrates the wisdom of our undertaking the work at that point.

Under the appointment of the Board, Brother Pace has been laboring at Gilbert Hollow, in Lexington County, since April. A church has already been organized, and is actively engaged in securing a house of worship, which it is hoped will be completed early in the coming year.

During the summer, Brother Bryan, a Seminary student, labored as an evangelist in the Edisto Association, and his labors were greatly blessed to the churches. It was not till the present year that we were able to render the long-sought aid to the Waccamaw Association.

We have not been unmindful of colportage and work among the colored people, but the means and opportunity have not been at hand to enable us to attempt anything in these departments farther than the gratuitous distribution of Bibles, Testaments and Sunday school books kindly donated by brethren in Charleston.

The statistical report of the labors of the missionaries, herewith submitted, covers only those labors for which the Board made appropriations, and does not include labors at churches not aided by the Board.

Associations, 26; stations, 133; miles travelled, 33,521; days engaged, 3,982; sermons, 2,452; prayer meetings, 887; religious visits, 3,682; conversions, 601; baptisms, 419; churches organized, 7; churches built, 3; Sunday schools organized, 45; Sunday school addresses, 305; addresses on missions, 348; on other religious subjects, 427; on State Missions, 300; stations collecting for missions regularly, 57: W. M. Societies, 28; raised for State Missions, $1,049.14; for Home Missions, $129.46; Foreign Missions, $268.37; Furman University, $95.00; Theological Seminary, $48.50.

In addition to the above, the Corresponding Secretary, in prosecuting the duties of his office, has travelled 7,000 miles, preached 139 sermons, delivered 133 addresses on State Missions, visiting 141 churches in 23 Associations, and attended the sessions of 17 of the Associations.

We have received during the year $8,250.19 from 26 Associations. Of this amount $376.20 was contributed by 23 Sunday schools. For the year ending November 1st contributions from the State to Home Missions amounted to $4,084.23, and to Foreign Missions to $6,936.85. Of the amount for Foreign Missions, the Woman's Mission Societies raised $2,582.24. During the same period the Sunday schools of the State have raised for the Mary Harley Mission Fund $748.29, a portion of which is not included in the above amount reported for Foreign Missions. That the Baptist Sunday schools of South Carolina should have a missionary in a foreign land is a sweet memorial of the sainted woman whose name this undertaking is intended to commemorate.

In April last, the Treasurer received from Mr. J. C. Buckingham, exe-

cutor of the late Mrs. Mary G. Harley, the sum of $819.33, being the amount bequeathed by Mrs. Harley to the State Mission Board of the South Carolina Baptist State Convention. The Board did not feel authorized to disburse this money in the ordinary expenditures of the State Mission work, and loaned it out on good security so that the principal and accrued interest might be available on the first of January next. We refer the matter to the Convention, that its wisdom may suggest a plan by which the wishes of Mrs. Harley may be met in devoting it to the object to which it was bequeathed, and yet avoid dissipating the fund.

We are pleased to note the growing interest of our people in Home and Foreign Missions, as seen in the increased contributions to these objects. This fact is seen especially in the increasing numbers and gifts of the Woman's Mission Societies, which have hitherto directed their efforts and gifts almost entirely to Foreign Missions. Since there are other departments of mission work that have strong claims upon our sisters, who are ever raady to share in the early watch with Mary, the toilsome service with Phœbe, or the patient teaching with Priscilla; and since it does not seem wise to multiply agencies in our churches for raising funds for missions, we submit if it might not be practicable for our Woman's Mission Societies, without at all abating their interest in Foreign Missions, to give some care and help to the work of Home and State Missions. It would be possible for them to select in either field the particular object upon which their benefactions should be bestowed, if they did not wish them put in the common fund. Let it not be forgotten that the extent and efficiency of our work in the foreign field depend always and absolutely upon the culture of the field at home.

We submit further that it would be eminently fit that the Convention should mark this bi-centennial year of the church with which its present session is held by establishing a mission in Charleston. The Baptists of the entire State have an interest in the occasion that commemorates an event in whose results they have shared and do now rejoice. It seems but right that the denomination, through its representative body, the State Convention, should at this meeting join with our brethren in this city in thus erecting a way-mark upon which may be inscribed, "Hitherto the Lord hath helped us."

The city of Greenville, in its new and increasing population, drawn thither by its factories, presents an inviting field for mission work. The brethren of the church there are already alive to the matter, have secured an eligible lot, and are preparing to erect a chapel. The Board should be ready, if called upon, to aid in sustaining a missionary.

There are yet other fields which we have not entered in different parts of the State calling for help. Shall the Board enlarge its work and thereby increase its liabilities the coming year? If so, to what extent?

The Lord grant unto us wisdom to discern our opportunities and grace to do our full measure of duty.

C. MANLY, President.

RICH'D H. GRIFFITH, Cor. Sec.

REPORT ON MRS. HARLEY'S BEQUEST.

1. The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the State Mission Board relating to the Mary Harley Legacy, beg leave respectfully to report, that they have examined into the facts of the case, and find them to be as follows: That Mrs. Mary G. Harley devised a certain share of her estate to the "Baptist State Mission Board" of South Carolina.

2. That her Executor has paid over to Rev. R. H. Griffith, the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer of said Board, the sum of eight hundred and nineteen 33-100 dollars, as the amount in full of said bequest.

3. That said amount has been safely invested under the direction of said Board, until January next, at the rate of ten per cent per annum; and that no part of the principal or interest has thus far been expended by the Board.

4. A copy of Mrs. Harley's will has not been accessible to your Committee, but we are informed that this legacy was made to the "Baptist State Mission Board of South Carolina," without any qualification, to be disposed of in such manner as in their judgment might best promote the spread of the Gospel within the bounds of our own State; and this legacy appears to us to belong legitimately to the State Convention of the Baptist Denomination in South Carolina, and was devised to the organ of this body, viz.: The Executive Board of State Missions, and that the disposition and use of this fund be committed to that Board without instructions farther than to take legal advice of the President of the Convention as to the mode of holding or using this legacy.

WILLIAM THAYER,
ZIMMERMAN DAVIS,
JULIUS C. SMITH,
A. F. EDWARDS,
J. F. BUIST,
Committee.

REPORT ON FUTURE WORK OF THE STATE MISSION BOARD.

Your Committee feel at liberty to suggest only the merest outlines of future work. If the contributions to this work were commensurate with its demands, its policy would be simple. But as this is not true, and cannot be realized for years to come, we recommend,

1. That your Board continue to exercise the wisest discretion in the se-

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lection of its fields of operation. As it cannot cultivate the whole territory, cultivate that portion of it promising the best returns.

2. That your Board holds itself ready to enter new and inviting fields. Your Committee would commend to the attention of the Board the two cities mentioned in the Corresponding Secretary's Report, viz.: Charleston and Greenville. We believe that successful missions could be, and at the earliest practicable day, should be established in these cities. We call attention also to the many factory towns springing up all over the State, as important centres for missionary work.

Respectfully submitted, J. L. VASS, Chairman Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE AS TO WOMAN'S MISSIONS.

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the report of the Executive Board of Missions having reference to Woman's Mission, would recommend that the work of the Woman's Mission Societies be so enlarged that it may include all the Mission enterprises of this Convention —that the idea of woman's mission to woman be preserved, and that it be left optional with the local societies as to what objects, and in what proportions their contributions shall be appropriated.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. MUNDY,
J. D. PITTS,
W. T. HUNDLEY,
F. C. HICKSON,
G. B. MOORE,
Committee.

REPORT OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF WOMAN'S MISSION SOCIETIES.

The Central Committee of Woman's Mission Societies respectfully report that *twenty* new societies have been organized during the Convention year.

One hundred and thirty-four societies have contributed during the year, and the proportion of these contributing regularly every quarter is increasing.

Two thousand five hundred and eighty-two dollars and ninety-three cents have been received and forwarded during the year to Dr. Tupper, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. Of this amount so much as was necessary was appropriated by the Board to the support of Miss Whilden and Miss McCown. The balance was added to the general fund of the Board.

Miss Whilden is detained in America still, not having recruited her health sufficiently to justify a return to the debilitating climate of Canton.

Miss McCown, of Virginia, who is prosecuting her needed studies in Philadelphia with a view to work in the Shanghai mission, has been, by request of the Committee and with her consent, assigned to South Carolina for support. And gratifying interest has been manifested by our sisters in this the first venture of our Foreign Mission Board to equip and sustain a female medical missionary for the women of China.

The Committee have to report that they have received from the Vice President of the Home Mission Board for South Carolina, Rev. Luther Broaddus, an application for assistance in presenting the work of that Board to the special attention of the women of our churches. The Committee were originally organized for distinctly foreign mission work, but they are the servants of the Convention, and would respectfully refer this application for an enlargement of their work to the Convention, and ask for instructions as to their duty in the premises.

The Committee must again beg leave to express in the most earnest manner their thanks to the many pastors who in many ways have assisted them in their work.

All correspondence and remittances for the Committee should be addressed as heretofore to Miss M. E. McIntosh, Corresponding Secretary, Society Hill, S. C.

REPORT OF TREASURER

RICH'D H. GRIFFITH, *Treasurer*, In account with Executive Board

1883.		Dr.		
To cash from—				
Abbeville	Association	$	425 95	
Barnwell	"		515 00	
Bethel	"		47 22	
Broad River	"		203 60	
Charleston	"		800 83	
Chester	"		249 05	
Colleton	"		59 33	
Edgefield	"		614 66	
Edisto	"		307 16	
Fairfield	"		195 80	
Fork	"		124 50	
Greenville	"		617 40	
Lexington	"		20 00	
Moriah	"		297 94	
Orangeburg	"		159 63	
Pee Dee	"		341 23	
Piedmont	"		43 10	
Reedy River	"		362 70	
Saluda	"		465 48	
Santee	"		112 85	
Savannah River	"		704 13	
Spartanburg	"		321 49	
Twelve Mile River	"		118 55	
Union County	"		279 04	
Welsh Neck	"		731 40	
York	"		132 15	$8,250 19
To balance from last report				584 53
				$8,834 72

To cash from bequest of Mrs. Mary G. Harley ..... $819 33.

OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

of the South Carolina Baptist State Convention :

1883.		CR.	
By paid Hoyt & Keys for printing minutes of Convention			$ 145 75
" " For Stationery, Printing and Postage of Statistical Secretary			60 60
" " Travelling expenses of members of Board, January meeting			27 55
" " Travelling expenses of Corresponding Secretary			144 74
" " Postage and express			27 95
" " Premium and discount			7 75
" " For Stationery and Printing			12 30
" " R. N. Pratt,	Missionary,		378 15
" " B. F. Miller,	"		50 00
" " R. W. Seymour,	"		25 00
" " J. F. Buist,	"		37 50
" " J. J. Getsinger,	"		45 00
" " T. J. Taylor,	"		37 50
" " E. H. Cuttino,	"		375 00
" " J. H. Edwards,	"		37 50
" " J. A. Browne	"		50 00
" " S. W. Ackerman,	"		50 00
" " Thomas Walker,	"		225 00
" " J. K. Pace,	"		66 66
" " C. G. Bradford,	"		187 50
" " W. H. Hartin,	"		225 00
" " G. H. Carter,	"		75 00
" " E. L. Sisk,	"		18 75
" " J. S. West,	"		100 00
" " S. Y. Jameson,	"		87 50
" " J. C. Furman,	"		75 00
" " E. J. Mullinax'	"		207 50
" " G. W. Gardner.	"		112 50
" " A. J. McCoy,	"		37 50
" " D. W. Hiott,	"		112 50
" " J. L. Rollins,	"		375 00
" " M. E. Broaddus,	"		150 00
" " R. W. Burts,	"		75 00
" " J. W. Perry,	"		150 00
" " I. W. Wingo,	"		50 00
" " J. F. Morrall,	"		262 50
" " W. H. Dowling,	"		187 50
" " J. T. Burdine,	"		225 00
" " A. J. Hires,	"		225 00
" " T. P. Lide,	"		38 00
" " F. C. Hickson,	"		74 35
" " B. F. Parrott,	"		75 00
" " L. D. Bass,	"		37 50
" " S. M. Richardson,	"		37 50
" " F. O. S. Curtis,	"		37 50
" " J. E. Covington,	"		150 00
" " R. T. Bryan,	"		187 50
" " B. C. Lampley,	"		88 33
" " A. W. Parrott,	"		15 00
" " J. G. Williams.	"		75 00
" " D. W. Key,	"		83 33
" " Rich'd H. Griffith,	Corresponding Secretary,		1375 00
			$7,016 71
By balance on hand			1,818 01
			$8,834 72

By amount due missionaries, Dec. 31,	$1,524 09	
" " " Statistical Secretary, Dec. 31,	100 00	
" " " Corresponding Secretary, Dec. 31,	125 00	
" " Of balance	68 92-	$1,818 01

By amount of bequest of Mrs. Mary G. Harley.....$819 33.

CHARLESTON, S. C., November 23, 1883.

I have examined the foregoing account of R. H. Griffith, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, and find it correct and accompanied by proper vouchers.

JAMES A. HOYT, Auditor.

REPORTS OF MISSIONARIES, 1883.

MISSIONARIES.	FIELDS OF LABOR.	Number Stations.	Miles Travelled.	Days Engaged.	Sermons.	Prayer Meetings.	Religious Visits.	Conversions.	Baptisms.	Churches Organized.	Churches Built.	Sunday Schools Organized.	Sunday School Addresses.	Addresses on Missions.	Addresses on other Religious Subjects.	Value of Bibles and Religious Books sold.	Stations collecting for Missions Monthly or Quarterly.	Woman's Mission Societies.	Raised on Field for State Missions.	Raised on Field for Home Missions.	Raised on Field for Foreign Missions.	Raised on Field for Furman University.	Raised on Field for Theological Seminary.
1. R. N. Pratt	Abbeville Association	3	995	190	76	30	290	18	1	1	...	1	15	15	5	.....	...	2	$ 10 00	.....	$ 10 00	.....	.....
2. B. F. Miller	" "	1	535	28	32	...	85	5	5	...	1	1	10	5	6	.....	...	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3. R. W. Seymour	" "	1	376	17	13	4	26	...	...	...	...	...	4	3	3	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4. J. F. Buist	Barnwell "	1	250	30	30	10	38	2	2	...	...	...	3	4	2	.....	1	1	10 00	$ 2 00	9 00	.....	.....	.....
5. J. J. Getsinger	" "	1	400	30	29	...	20	5	5	...	...	2	6	5	...	.....	...	...	20 00	.....	4 50	.....	.....	.....
6. T. J. Taylor	Broad River "	1	559	130	48	16	80	24	...	...	...	1	...	9	...	$ 13 80	1	...	21 95	10 50	10 00	.....	.....	.....
7. E. H. Cuttino	Charleston "	7	3560	206	126	104	250	25	18	...	...	2	8	25	58	.....	...	2	65 76	35 50	32 00	$70 00	.....	.....
8. J. H. Edwards	Chester "	1	210	7	9	11	60	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	.....	...	1	8 95	5 87	16 15	.....	.....	.....
9. J. A. Brown	" "	1	.....	50	13	14	52	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	9	.....	...	...	8 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10. S. W. Ackerman	Colleton "	2	245	28	28	6	44	7	6	...	...	...	2	2	4	.....	...	...	7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11. Thos. Walker	Edgefield "	3	1796	314	174	91	237	37	37	...	...	...	9	4	100	.....	...	...	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12. J. K. Pace	Lexington "	1	300	26	18	5	15	2	2	1	...	...	...	9	6	.....	...	...	13 00	2 75	1 45	.....	.....	.....
13. C. G. Bradford	Fairfield "	1	.....	...	40	43	190	...	...	...	...	...	4	5	...	.....	...	1	9 10	.....	8 60	.....	$10 00	.....
14. W. H. Hartin	" "	9	1500	150	100	50	85	40	40	...	...	...	10	...	4	.....	...	1	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
15. G. H. Carter	Fork "	1	208	365	116	24	107	12	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	1	1	34 18	15 02	16 07	.....	5 00	.....
16. E. L. Sisk	" "	1	420	36	28	5	36	6	3	...	...	1	3	2	...	.....	1	...	1 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
17. J. S. West	" "	9	413	92	52	13	28	14	5	...	...	...	1	4	9	48 25	...	...	4 22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
18. S. Y. Jameson	" "	4	150	75	42	7	39	28	9	...	...	...	3	6	5	.....	4	...	10 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
19. J. C. Furman	Greenville "	1	136	3	7	...	...	7	7	...	...	1	...	...	3	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20. E. J. Mu linax	" "	8	1584	273	157	37	87	113	65	1	...	3	18	57	96	140 75	8	...	59 75	1 10	3 15	.....	.....	.....
21. G. W. Gardner	Moriah "	2	.....	60	75	50	150	13	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	2	2	53 00	19 00	60 60	25 00	.....	.....
22. A. J. McCoy	" "	2	510	140	53	30	269	39	38	...	...	2	14	...	4	.....	2	...	55 50	10 00	10 20	.....	.....	.....
23. D. W. Hiott	Piedmont "	2	549	54	49	14	74	7	7	1	2	1	2	4	13	.....	1	1	3 60	2 20	60	.....	2 55	.....
24. J. L. Rollins	Pee Dee & W. Neck "	10	1979	120	134	17	6	2	17	...	...	4	18	8	7	.....	6	9	18 60	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
25. M. E. Broaddus	Reedy River "	1	80	116	73	48	175	57	53	...	...	1	21	33	33	.....	1	1	10 00	16 60	10 00	.....	23 00	.....
26. R. W. Burts	Saluda "	1	480	33	32	2	78	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	.....	1	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
27. J. W. Perry	Santee "	2	75	25	48	25	24	3	3	...	...	2	18	6	...	.....	2	1	54 73	.....	11 30	.....	.....	.....

REPORTS OF MISSIONARIES, 1883.--CONTINUED.

MISSIONARIES.	FIELDS OF LABOR.	Number Stations.	Miles Travelled.	Days Engaged.	Sermons.	Prayer Meetings.	Religious Visits.	Conversions.	Baptisms.	Churches Organized.	Churches Built.	Sunday Schools Organized.	Sunday School Addresses.	Addresses on Missions.	Addresses on other Religious Subjects.	Value of Bibles and Religious Books sold.	Stations collecting for Missions Monthly or Quarterly.	Woman's Mission Societies.	Raised on Field for State Missions.	Raised on Field for Home Missions.	Raised on Field for Foreign Missions.	Raised on Field for Furman University.	Raised on Field for Theological Seminary.
28. I. W. Wingo	Spartanburg " ...	1	614	35	14	...	89	...	...	1	...	...	10	10	...	.....	1	...	25 00	8 00	8 00	.....	5 00
29. J. F. Morrall	Savannah River " ...	2	4090	36	72	...	116	...	...	1	...	...	10	6	10	.....	2	...	70 81	.....	.....	.....	.....
30. W. H. Dowling	" " " ...	9	2200	107	110	40	45	6	6	1	...	3	15	23	19	37 00	5	1	30 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....
31. J. T. Burdine	Twelve Mile River " ...	6	3014	365	142	37	112	37	18	...	...	12	28	4	9	.....	6	...	51 70	.....	.....	.....	.....
32. A. J. Hires	Union County " ...	3	250	360	138	50	193	9	4	...	...	...	36	17	8	.....	3	1	50 75	5 92	20 25	.....	.....
33. T. P. Lide	Waccamaw " ...	1	733	37	29	...	85	3	3	...	...	1	9	9	10	.....	1	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
34. F. C. Hickson	Welsh Neck " ...	1	303	42	19	...	56	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	4 15	1	1	7 00	4 00	10 00	.....	.....
35. B. F. Parrott	" " " ...	2	800	75	64	20	90	16	7	...	...	2	8	7	...	50	2	...	5 72	.....	.....	.....	.....
36. L. D. Bass	" " " ...	1	400	...	25	5	20	...	...	...	...	1	2	3	3	15 00	...	...	40	.....	.....	.....	.....
37. S. M. Richardson	" " " ...	1	605	37	35	13	31	6	5	...	...	...	...	1	...	41 45	1	...	12 35	.....	2 00	.....	.....
38. F. O. S. Curtis	" " " ...	1	649	44	24	2	48	8	3	...	...	1	3	2	...	.....	1	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
39. J. E. Covington	York " ...	1	.....	...	21	20	30	2	2	...	...	1	1	2	...	.....	1	...	4 00	4 00	3 50	.....	2 50
40. R. T. Bryan	Edisto " ...	22	730	150	76	14	110	40	5	...	...	...	6	45	...	.....	...	...	155 25	.....	.....	.....	.....
41. B. C. Lampley	Santee " ...	2	428	31	21	...	29	1	3	...	...	1	1	3	...	.....	...	1	19 82	.....	.....	.....	.....
42. A. W. Parrott	Welsh Neck " ...	1	290	20	22	5	14	4	1	...	...	1	3	5	...	.....	1	...	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
43. J. G. Williams	Savannah River " ...	1	720	25	26	8	40	5	5	...	...	...	...	2	...	.....	...	...	20 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....
44. D. W. Key	Orangeburg " ...	1	394	30	12	14	39	6	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	...	...	26 75	.....	.....	.....	.....
		133	33521	3982	2452	887	3682	601	419	7	3	45	305	348	427	$300 90	57	28	$1049 14	$129 46	$268 37	$95 00	$18 50

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The missionary spirit is one of the greatest gifts of God to His people. It is at once the fruit and pledge of the Christian's union with the Lord Jesus Christ, the Saviour of men. In the absence of it, it is hard to see how any one can have a good hope of eternal life; and it is certain that just so far as the Church of Christ is imbued with the missionary spirit, is she true to the commands of her divine Master, and just in that same degree is she prosperous.

Through this, more than through any other one agency, has there been a constant growth of unity and harmony among our churches; the occasions of strife and division disappearing in the presence of the great responsibility to proclaim the good news of salvation to a world without hope even as it is without Christ. This tendency to harmony is seen, not only in the separate churches of any one denomination, but especially as among different denominations of Christians themselves. While differences of doctrines and of practice are more clearly defined and more generally understood than ever before, there is also, on the part of all who are actively engaged in mission work more of a disposition to recognize in each other the good that may exist, and to learn from one another what is shown to be in accordance with the will and character of our Lord. May it not be that, through the efforts thus made to give the word of God to the heathen and to impress upon them its supreme authority, there will be more progress made, than in any other way, to fulfill the heartfelt prayer of the Redeemer, "that they all may be one; . . that the world may believe that thou didst send me?" Oh, may this blessed result be speedily consummated!

If the growth of the missionary spirit be indeed an indication of general spiritual development, there is something to encourage us as to the condition of our churches in this State. For, although we are certainly not showing all the zeal that ought to be manifest, there can be no doubt that the interest in missions is increasing all over our State.

More churches and more members in the churches than ever before are contributing to send the Gospel to those destitute of it. The multiplication, too, of Woman's Mission Societies and of Mary Harley Mission Societies, as well as the increase of their contributions, is a gratifying exhibit of progress. The call from the Foreign Mission Board for a larger amount than ever before has been met, all over the State, even in this year of drought and disaster, with a response of eager interest which indicates that the amount expected from South Carolina, during the Conventional year, will be fully made up by next May. But that there may be no disappointment in regard to this matter, and that we may not be put to shame in the presence of our brethren of other States, it is earnestly and affectionately urged,

1. That there be systematic presentation, of opportunity to contribute to every member in every church,—the pastor charging himself with responsibility for securing this result.

2. That the good seed be more widely planted among the young and in

all neglected circles of the church and the community, that the reaping may be more abundant.

3. That to this end, the churches take pains to disseminate information in regard to our fields of work,—especially through the circulation of the *Foreign Mission Journal.*

Who can read, without being deeply and prayerfully moved, of the work of the Lord not only in India and the Pacific Isles, in which our Northern brethren are particularly engaged, but in China, in Italy, in Africa, in Brazil, and, lately, especially, in Mexico. And we rejoice in the truth that in all the events that are occurring, whether there be riots in China, hindering the departure for the present of some devoted sisters to their chosen fields of labor, or whether there be inviting opportunities of entrance on new fields presented, as now in Mexico, the hand of our Master, Jesus, is controlling them all and will make them result in His glory and the progress of His Kingdom.

Let it be ours to preach everywhere Jesus Christ and Him crucified—remembering that He has said, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me."

Respectfully submitted, CHAS. MANLY, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee are pleased to report the progress of the Home Mission Board. The new life which all saw in this work one year ago has been kept up, the confidence and interest of the people are growing, and the laborers and fields of labor are being multiplied. Forty-five thousand dollars were received by this Board last year. South Carolina has given $4,084 of the $5,000 she promised this Board at our last Convention. There are over one hundred missionaries in the employment of the Board, and still the cry comes for more laborers. But to have more laborers more money is necessary. One hundred thousand dollars a year would not be too much to spend on the fields already occupied, and there are new fields in California, New Mexico, Arizona and Colorado, which need and ought to be supplied with help from this Board.

The missionaries write encouragingly from *the Chinese in California.* Bro. J. B. Hartwell and wife and Mrs. J. L. Sanford are laboring zealously in San Francisco, but could work more effectively if they had a house of worship in a more convenient portion of the city. The missionaries are still occupying their old quarters. Mrs. F. M. Potter is laboring among the Chinese women of Fresno.

The mission among the *Indians* has sustained a great loss in the death of Rev. H. F. Buckner, D.D. On the 3rd of December last he triumph-

antly ended his thirty-three years of self-sacrificing labor for the red man. His last words were: "Eternal life! eternal life! now let it come."

Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Buckner has been appointed a missionary of the Board. During the winter the disturbance in the Creek Nation interfered with mission work among the Indians, but only for a short time. In March, Bro. W. P. Blake, of North Carolina, entered upon his work as the successor of Dr. Buckner. He has been well received, and much is expected from his labors. He has much to encourage him in his work among the Creek Indians—thirty churches and twenty-five hundred members to build on, and then the assistance of Mrs. Buckner and Rev. Wm. McCombs as missionaries, together with that which the Levering Manual Labor School adds to our cause there. There are two missionaries among the Choctaws, two among the Chickasaws and one among the wild tribes of the West, making in all fifteen laborers in the Indian Territory.

Much attention has been given to *Texas*, which is a vast and needy field, calling for many more than the thirty missionaries which the Board already has laboring in destitute places. The work in Texas has greatly stimulated the Baptists of that State.

In *Arkansas* and *Louisiana* there are twenty missionaries at work, and yet many important places remain unoccupied from which come pressing appeals for help.

The number of people now moving into *Florida* from the North and West makes that one of the most important fields of labor. Twenty-two missionaries are laboring in West Florida. More than double that number are necessary, if we wish to occupy the whole field. A house of worship is much needed at Jacksonville, the gate city of Florida.

Those who know anything about *Memphis*, Tenn., will not be surprised that the Home Mission Board has begun to assist the Baptists of that important city. The mission there is carried on in connection with the State Board of Tennessee. A Baptist church is much needed for this mission.

We come now to *New Orleans*, not as the newest but as the most important field engaging the attention of the Board just now. The debt on the Coliseum Place Church has been reduced to $4,000, and arrangements have been made to meet that. A house of worship has been purchased for the First Church. A lot has been secured for a third house of worship for the Baptists of New Orleans. Five thousand dollars is much needed to build this house. One writing from there says: "The work is growing, and with such a house as you speak of building there is no telling to what limit the influence of the mission would extend." Bro. Cole, pastor of the First Church, has baptized twenty-one since April. The testimony of another is that there has been more substantial work done by our mission in New Orleans during the summer than has been done by the entire Baptists of the city for years.

The *colored people* are still receiving the attention of the Board. The Board is anxious to extend its work among this people. If the means were at hand there would be employed a theological instructor for each State to labor as Dr. McIntosh is laboring for the colored people of Georgia.

The debt due the publishers of *Kind Words* will be liquidated next January. After that the $1,000 royalty will come into the treasury of

the Board. By doubling or quadrupling the subscriptions, we might double or quadruple this royalty.

Last but not least we speak of the *Church Building Department*, to which the attention of our people has been repeatedly called.

At the suggestion of Dr. Tichenor, in his report to the Southern Baptist Convention, met at Waco, Texas, in May last, the Convention ordered, "That the Home Mission Board raise a fund for church building purposes, from which either by gift or loan, as in their judgment may seem good, they shall assist in the construction of houses of worship in destitute places." On the 9th of July, the Board met and appointed Rev. G. A. Nunnally, D.D., of Rome, Ga., Secretary of the Church Building Department for the States east of the Mississippi River. For the States west of the Mississippi, Rev. has been appointed. Other denominations are doing such work as is contemplated by this Department, new to us as Baptists of the South. Northern Baptists are prosecuting this kind of work with eminent success. Perhaps no body of Christians has greater need for such work than Southern Baptists. They are seeing the necessity, and are already beginning to welcome Bro. Nunnally and his work.

Your Committee feel that this report would be too imperfect if they failed to make mention of the deaths of Dr. E. T. Winkler and Rev. E. Dodson. The former was long the honored President of the Home Mission Board while it was located at Marion, Ala., where he died November 10th, 1883; the latter was a faithful missionary of the Board at the time of his death.

In conclusion, we recommend:

1. That $5,000 be raised by our State for Home Missions during our next Conventional year.

2. That the Church Building Department be remembered as a special object for contributions.

3. That we make greater efforts to introduce *Kind Words* into our Sunday Schools.

I. W. WINGO,
C. C. BROWN,
J. E. PETTIGREW,
RUFUS FORD,
L. D. BASS,
Committee.

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FURMAN UNIVERSITY.

The Board of Trustees of Furman University, in presenting to this body a report concerning the work, condition and prospects of the Institution, as directed by the last Convention, submit the following information received from reports of the President and the Treasurer:

The exercises of the present session were begun the 19th of September, and are now in successful operation. It is gratifying to note the progress made under the arrangements instituted a little more than two years ago, when the very existence of the Institution seemed to be seriously threatened. During the first session, closing in June, 1882, fifty students were present for instruction, some of whom were in studies preparatory to those required for entranee into college classes, but were taught by the college professors, assisted by one of the students. The following session eighty-eight students were enrolled, and the Academic Department was organized, with Mr. Walter W. Brown, one of the Alumni, as Principal. With this department in efficient operation, as it now is, provision is made for giving just such instruction as the student actually requires, without yielding to the tendency, consequent upon imperfect preparation of applicants for admission into college classes, to lower the standard of scholarship demanded for entrance therein. During this session, slso, there were added to the Museum and Cabinets of the University more than four hundred specimens of fossils and minerals; several valuable archæological curiosities from Asia and America; more than one hundred mounted and preserved Zoological specimens; a fine microscope, a valuable chemical balance, a surveyor's transit instrument, and other extensive and substantial acquisitions to the laboratories of Physics and Chemistry. The special thanks of the University are due to Mr. C. A. Scanlan, of Charleston, for a valuable collection of Post Pleiocene fossils of the State, and for corals and recent shells; to Rev. T. P. Bell, of Anderson, for a set of minerals; to Miss Lula Whilden, for ancient Chinese coins; and to Miss Carrie Howell, of Greenville County, for a fine specimen of Mica crystal. It is hoped that other friends of the institution will aid in contributions of a similar kind. It may be added that the officer in charge of this department is at present endeavoring to make arrangements for personal investigation of the mineral and other economical resources of the State, which may enure to the advantages of the public as well as of the Institution.

The number of students now present at the University justifies the expectation that, with the usual additions at the beginning of the spring term, the catalogue will show a material increase over the last session. It is a circumstance to which special attention is called, that of the seventy-five students now in the Institution, twenty-three are looking to engaging in the work of the Gospel ministry. In view of the call, all over our State, for more ministers, and especially for men of trained and cultured minds as well as of piety, this proportion of ministerial students

is peculiarly gratifying and ought to stimulate our people to make abundant provision for their most effective collegiate preparation for their work.

The President has been engaged, each year, for about one-third of the session, in visiting the Associations, particularly for the purpose of awakening interest in the institution as well as securing contributions for current support. While both these objects have been secured to a very gratifying extent, it is for the Board to determine whether in view of all the interests concerned, this work should be continued longer.

Since the opening of the session, September, 1881, when the Board directed the abandonment of free tuition, there has been gradual improvement in the financial condition of the University, which would have been still more marked but that the practical failure of the bond-endowment left the Board several thousands of dollars in debt to the Professors for salaries pledged on the faith of the endowment. This indebtedness has been paid within about $800, and the current expenses to July last have been met by income legitimately available for current expenses.

In view of the fact the most of the Professors are working upon very low salaries, some of which will need to be increased very soon, and in view of the importance of relieving the President from so constant visiting of Associations, as heretofore, it is manifest that the Baptists of this State should look to an early increase of the present endowment.

There are now of invested funds, for endowment, only about $22,000. This should be increased to at least $50,000 within the next five years,—not that this amount would be adequate to the needs of such an institution as the Baptists of South Carolina should have, as their representative in the work of higher education, but that it would provide for the necessary expenses of our present plan of operations.

The following resolutions adopted by the Trustees embody the results of their deliberations as to the course to be pursued to secure the proper financial support of the University:

Resolved, 1. That the President of the University be instructed to continue during the coming year to solicit contributions from the churches for current support.

2. That the President be instructed to secure, wherever practicable, contributions to the endowment fund of the University.

3. That the President be authorized to engage twenty brethren to assist him voluntarily in securing during the year 1884 an addition of $10,000 to the permanent endowment.

T. P. SMITH, President.

G. G. WELLS, Secretary.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Since our meeting in Darlington twelve months ago, "death with his sickle keen," has cut down a number of beloved brethren whose names it becomes our sad duty to record.

Prominent among them, though "of a meek and quiet spirit," was Brother E. W. Horne, who died of paralysis at Ridge Spring, S. C., January 2d, 1883, in the 54th year of his age. From the fly-leaf of his Bible, where a brief history of him was written with his own hand, we learn that he was converted and baptized in Edgefield County, September, 1846, ordained deacon September, 1854, and set apart to the Gospel ministry May 17th, 1857.

He received education in Furman University, becoming Master of Arts in the year 1860, and subsequently took a partial course in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

In every relation of life,—as soldier, citizen, and Christian minister, he reflected the image of His Master and was highly respected for his personal piety, usefulness and ardent devotion to the service of Christ.

During his ministry he was pastor at different times of churches in the three States of Texas, Missouri and South Carolina. While preaching at Ridge Spring, December 31st, 1882, being suddenly stricken by the disease that closed his earthly life, he said, "I am paralyzed. I am admonished to stop. But I am in the hands of the Lord and perfectly submitted to His will." This being said, he was borne from the church to the bosom of his family, and soon went to his heavenly reward. With the Christian armor on and bravely upholding the banners of the King, he fell in battle, "a good soldier of Jesus Christ."

Bro. Silas Knight, one of the fathers of the Reedy River Association, departed this life on the 29th of March, 1883, in Laurens County, of which he was a native. He had attained to the good old age of nearly four score years, and had been, for 49 years, preaching the Gospel of his Lord. Though favored in early life with but limited advantages of mental training, by prolonged application and earnest efforts, he became a man of considerable intelligence and of more than ordinary preaching powers, and towards the close of his life was a zealous advocate of the Temperance cause. Arrangements are being made to erect at Warrior's Creek Church a joint-monument to his memory and that of Bro. Toliver Robertson.

When this perishable memorial shall have crumbled to pieces, the pious labors of Brother Silas Knight will still yield their fruit to the glory of God.

Bro. Thomas W. Smith, of Union County, "fell on sleep" at his residence, April 7th, 1883. He received education in Furman University, and though much absorbed in the duties of the ministry, he cherished a love for literary and scientific study until the close of his life.

He was an acute and vigorous thinker, a diligent student of theology, and a preacher of unusual force, clearness and earnestness. He served, from time to time, various churches in the counties of Union, Chester,

Fairfield, and Spartanburg. His habit in preaching was that of thorough preparation and earnest reliance upon the Holy Spirit. For a while he served the church at Union Court House, and at his death was preaching at Gaffney City. Passing away in the prime of life, he "rests from his labors, and his works do follow him."

Bro. William F. Brasington "finished his course" at his home, in Lancaster County, August 23d, 1883, in the 76th year of his age.

He was born in Sumter County, S. C.; lived awhile in Camden, where, as the son of a widow, he was forced to hard labor, and was remarkable for his faithfulness and honesty. Upon his conversion, he was received into the membership of the Camden Baptist Church, and soon feeling that God had called him to preach, he threw aside his occupation, and heartily entered into the work. For a few years he toiled as Missionary, and during his long ministry he preached at different times in both of the Carolinas. He was an earnest student of the Scriptures and of human nature,—a man of sound judgment, good memory, strong will, courage, endurance, conscientious and pious, and withal very useful. Several churches in the Moriah Association were built up through his instrumentality. Full of the Holy Spirit, and of faith, his last words were, "All is peace!"

Bro. John R. Tolleson was called to his reward from Union County, October 16, 1883. For many years he filled the office of deacon, and late in life was ordained to the Gospel ministry. In both these relations he was active and faithful; and when the final summons came, he left behind him the record and influence of a sincere and useful Christian. He died at the age of 65 years, a member of the Limestone Church.

Others still have gone, during the year, from the sowing to the reaping, from their toils on earth to the rest of saints in heaven. Of these, we mention Brethren Chas. Roper, Jonathan King and Maxwell Chastain, all of the Twelve Mile River Association, and T. D. Gwinn. of the Carolina Association.

From this review of "the last enemy's" invasion of our ranks, we are reminded of his approach to us all, and forcibly admonished, "Be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh."

R. W. SANDERS, For Committee.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING AND PERSON TO PREACH.

Your Committee recommend that the Convention meet with the Marion Church on Thursday before the Fourth Sunday in November, 1884, with Bro. C. A. Stakely to preach the Convention Sermon, and Bro. I. W. Wingo, Alternate.

T. M. GALPHIN, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Location—Greenville.

C. Manly, President; C. H. Judson, Vice President; James A. Hoyt, Auditor; Rich'd H. Griffith, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, at a salary of $1,500; J. A. Mundy, J. C. Smith, A. S. Townes, W. C. Lindsay, John Stout, J. L. Vass, Luther Broaddus, T. P. Bell, A. J. S. Thomas.

J. A. W. THOMAS,
J. L. VASS,
J. T. HIERS,
C. G. BRADFORD,
N. G. COONER,
Committee.

STATISTICS.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Number of Churches.	New Churches.	GAIN BY Baptism.	GAIN BY Restoration.	GAIN BY Letter.	LOSS BY Death.	LOSS BY Expulsion.	LOSS BY Letter.	Present Membership.	S. SCHOOLS. Officers and Teachers.	S. SCHOOLS. Pupils.	S. SCHOOLS. Average Attendance.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Pastors' Salaries.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	All Other Purposes.	By the Sunday Schools.	Total.	Value of Church Property.	Parsonages.
1. Abbeville	17	1	70	2	37	18	22	60	1,125	97	679	506	$ 3,275	$ 321	$ 146	$ 426	$ 2,121	$ 123	$ 6,415	$ 24,750	...
2. Barnwell	37	...	127	34	74	36	44	72	3,611	224	1,335	942	4,720	346	173	515	781	397	6,932	28,100	1
3. Bethel	6	...	12	.....	5	6	.....	6	433	24	200	110	315	10	5	47	25	25	427	1,850	...
4. Broad River	28	1	106	7	31	25	22	92	3,237	114	1,102	717	2,100	67	58	204	411	102	2,942	14,645	...
5. Carolina	5	...	19	4	11	4	4	12	561	9	68	50	70	10	5	.....	.....	.....	85	725	...
6. Charleston	29	...	72	14	42	34	24	41	1,841	167	1,090	676	6,452	820	468	800	2,708	326	11,572	118,460	...
7. Chester	13	...	32	2	19	11	39	24	1,154	74	595	434	3,357	203	113	250	2,162	69	6,154	15,200	1
8. Colleton	25	...	40	17	30	21	24	15	2,154	61	426	257	1,305	29	23	59	129	14	1,559	6,280	1
9. Edgefield	41	1	312	42	155	66	62	188	4,788	222	2,220	1,478	7,142	580	431	615	4,308	402	13,478	51,825	3
10. Edisto	24	2	126	20	39	30	15	31	2,162	67	748	482	2,560	70	62	307	220	47	3,266	11,550	1
11. Fairfield	26	...	78	7	40	49	8	42	1,541	94	856	646	3,570	175	81	196	806	153	4,981	31,425	...
12. Fork	18	...	64	7	69	13	23	64	1,290	62	460	314	1,275	30	17	124	380	88	1,914	4,390	...
13. Greenville	39	...	347	31	246	45	65	230	5,724	342	3,567	2,419	5,035	580	365	617	2,342	775	9,714	50,150	1
14. Lexington	12	...	51	10	30	11	10	37	783	29	335	221	314	12	12	20	45	29	432	1,365	...
15. Moriah	25	1	164	39	66	42	93	85	2,593	88	929	661	2,994	149	72	298	553	126	4,192	9,320	...
16. Mountain	5	...	17	5	2	1	5	5	221	.....	.....	.....	100	5	5	.....	.....	.....	110	500	...
17. Orangeburg	17	...	74	6	65	8	44	45	1,580	82	541	383	2,364	120	34	160	725	154	3,557	48,950	...
18. Pee Dee	25	...	92	26	35	38	32	43	2,582	107	1,156	768	4,475	175	138	341	280	128	5,537	30,600	...
19. Piedmont	13	...	48	2	26	8	11	31	1,224	45	350	220	557	33	23	43	70	10	736	5,780	...
20. Reedy River	27	1	163	10	58	41	33	126	2,817	142	1,184	832	4,674	248	132	363	3,105	198	8,720	4,000	1
21. Saluda	32	...	212	25	139	50	51	167	4,066	282	2,167	1,448	5,377	979	507	465	1,688	360	9,376	34,800	1
22. Santee	19	...	90	14	54	35	17	24	1,529	134	862	546	3,912	184	95	113	947	123	5,374	20,750	3
23. Savannah River	33	1	50	10	32	31	19	48	1,796	112	720	496	5,771	340	170	704	789	70	7,844	26,900	...
24. Spartanburg	27	1	155	8	131	42	29	171	4,318	154	1,767	1,450	4,047	506	277	321	2,349	211	7,711	23,000	1
25. Twelve Mile River	26	..	68	13	70	13	16	66	2,103	114	722	505	535	18	18	119	81	83	854	2,130	...
26. Union County	15	...	21	4	15	13	26	19	936	50	320	247	1,735	143	100	279	249	45	2,551	8,550	...
27. Waccamaw	27	...	121	31	29	17	21	26	1,602	136	916	554	737	37	15	.....	85	66	940	5,850	...
28. Welsh Neck	46	...	257	32	117	56	60	111	3,982	285	2,037	1,390	8,519	752	508	731	3,282	298	14,090	49,862	5
29. York	12	...	82	5	28	11	18	27	900	30	364	234	2,100	56	31	132	568	85	2,972	6,330	...
	669	9	3070	427	1695	775	837	1908	62,663	3347	27,918	18,986	$89,387	$6,978	$4,084	$8,249	$31,212	$4,607	$144,517	$639,137	19

Thirty-four (34) churches have preaching every Sunday; 7 have preaching on three (3) Sundays in every month; 153, on two every month; and the remainder, 475, only one Sunday a month. A large majority of the Sunday Schools are opened every Sunday during the period when they are in session, but only a minority of them are kept up all the year.

This report has reference only to white Baptists in the State.

LUTHER BROADDUS, Statistical Secretary.

MINISTERS' NAMES AND POST OFFICES.

Abbott, W. W., Seneca City.
Ackerman, S. W., Cottageville.
Adams, James, Hamburg.
Adams, J. Q., Florence.
Alexander, W. J., Columbia.
Allen, J. M., Reid.
Allen, W. H., Buena Vista.
Allen, Jesse, Buena Vista.
Allen, Joel, Free State.
Alverson, L. E., Earlsville.
Anderson, C. T., Scranton.
Anderson, W. F., Middle Saluda.
Ammons, H. C., Jordanville.
Ashley, W., Crayton.
Askew, G. N., Blackville.
Atkinson, W., Columbia.
Ayer, L. M., Anderson.

Baggot, H. L., Durhamville.
Ballard, B. E., Sterling Grove.
Barton, H. M., Fair Play.
Bateman, J. J., Hartsville.
Bass, L. D., Timmonsville.
Baynard, C. A., Allendale.
Beatty, W. Q., Bennettsville.
Bell, T. P., Anderson.
Becker, E. C., Columbia.
Berry, B. B., Rowesville.
Blakely, G. W., Pendleton.
Blanton, J. H., Powellville.
Bolen, H. D., Orangeburg.
Bonner, A. J., Damascus.
Boyd, Daniel, Hickman's.
Brown, B. A., Bucksville.
Brown, A. V., Conwayboro.
Bostick, J. M., Barnwell.
Bowers, A. D., Highland Grove.
Bowers, R. C., Brunson.
Boynton, M. B., Buford's Bridge.
Bradford, C. G., Winnsboro.
Broaddus, M. E., Camden.
Broaddus, Luther, Newberry.
Brown, C. C., Sumter.
Brown, E. Z., Belton.
Brown, N. A., Conwayboro.
Browne, J. C., Aiken.
Burruss, T. H., Hartsville.
Buist, A., Blackville.
Buist, J. F., Bamberg.
Butler, L., Woodville.
Burdine, J. T., Pickens.
Burgess, J. E., Pacolet Depot.
Burton, N. N., Batesburg.
Burts, R. W., Honea Path.
Bussey, G. W., Cold Spring.

Cannon, Wm., Westminster.
Carson, J. A., Butler.
Carson, W. B., Appleton.
Campbell, J. J., St. Albans.
Carter, A. W., Wampee.
Carter, G. H., Walhalla.
Carter, J. G., Cowpens.
Cartledge, A. M., Rossville.
Cains, S., Haskell.
Cains, J. D., Haskell.
Chaplin, W. F., Orangeburg.
Chapman, J., Six Mile.
Chastain, B., Highland Grove.
Chastain, M., Sunny Dale.
Chooven, C. H., Grahamville.
Chovin, C. E., Ennis' X Roads.
Clark, P. F., Greenville.
Collier, A. G., Plum Branch.
Conoly, J. M., Fair Bluff, N. C.
Cooner, N. G., Batesburg.
Cooper, J. A., Simpson's Mill.
Cobb, Robert, Walhalla.
Cobb, Rowland, Westminster.
Corley, B. F., Winnsboro.
Covington, B. G., Florence.
Covington, J. E., Yorkville.
Collins, C. G.
Cobb, A., Six Mile.
Crane, J. M., Sandy Flat.
Cribb, Richard, Rome.
Crouch, John, Bamberg.
Croxton, J. S., Pleasant Hill.
Curtis, F. O. S., Mar's Bluff.
Cuthbert, L., Aiken.

Ministers' Names and Post Offices---Continued.

Cuttino, E. H., Sand Ridge.
Cuttino, D. W., Elloree.

Davidson, A. D., Gaffney's City.
Dill, S. T., Tygersville.
Dill, J. A., Bellevue.
Dodd, S. A., Jacksonboro.
Donaldson, C. N., Florence.
Dowling, W. H., Varnville.
Drummond, S., Woodruff.
Drayton, G., Hammond.
Durham, A. K., Greenville.
Durham, I. D., Durhamville.

Earle, J. R., Holland's Store.
Earle, T. J., Gowensville.
Edwards, E. A., Sumter.
Edwards, Joab, Leesville.
Edwards, R. J., Orangeburg.
Elkin, W. B., Walhalla.
Elsey, J. W., New Road.
Entzminger, J. N., Blythewood.
Ervin, C. P., Pendleton.
Estes, A. B., Lawtonville.
Evans, T. A., Forestville.
Ezell, J. S., Woodruff.
Ezell, L. C., Woodruff.

Fail, John, Taxahaw.
Fail, N., Taxahaw.
Fant, J. K., Rosa.
Fant, H. B., Anderson.
Fewox, J., Adam's Run.
Fortener, H. M., Rock.
Ford, R., Key.
Foster, W. M., West Springs.
Fowler, H., Reynosa.
Fowler, J. G., Tigersville.
Freeman, D. C., Easley.
Fuller, S. T., Aiken.
Furman, J. C., Greenville.

Gaines, W. A., Gaines'.
Galphin, T. M., Orangeburg.
Gardner, G. W., Lancaster.
Garrett, B. F., Pleasant Mound.
Garrison, J. M., Fort Mill.
Gary, S. A., Easley.
Getsinger, J. J., Williston.
Getzin, S. P., Hamburg.
Gore, D. N., St. Stephen's.
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Graves, E. H., Center Hill.
Gresham, G. T., Tugaloo.
Griffith, Rich'd H., Greenville.
Gwyn, J. T., Spartanburg.
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Hammond, John, Bull Swamp.
Hardin, D. C., Greenville.
Hartwell, J. B., San Francisco, Cal.
Hartin, W. H., Ridgeway.
Hall, Lemuel, Leesville.
Hatcher, D. L., Six Mile.
Hawes, W. L., Aiken.
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Hayden, J. S., Orangeburg.
Hays, H. N., Seneca City.
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Henderson, H. L., Plain.
Herlong, J. M., St. Matthews.
Head, J. W., Mile Creek.
Hickman, G. B., Walterboro.
Hicks, W. E., Effingham.
Hicks, G. W., Sunny Side.
Hickson, F. C., Cheraw.
Hiers, P. J., Dunbarton.
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Hires, A. J., Union.
Hill, M. R., Timmonsville.
Hinton, L. C., Chester.
Hiott, D. W., Easley.
Hiott, J. R., Adams' Run.
Hiott, W. R., Walterboro.
Holmes, H. H., Conwayboro.
Hoffman, J. S. C., Orangeburg.
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Jeffcoat, J. M., Witt's Mill.
Jeter, F. C., Fish Dam.
Jeter, J. T., Santuc.
Jones, H., Batesburg.
Jones, M. L., Table Mountain.
Jones, F., Beech Island.
Jordan, J. S., Phœnix.
Joones, W. H., Witt's Mill.

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Key, D. W., Jamison's.
Kinard, G. D., Folk's Store.
King, W. H., Anderson.
King, R. M., Honea Path.
King, J., Central Station.
Kirton, J. W., Conwayboro.
Knight, G. L., Power's Shop.
Knotts, J. D., Blackville.
Knox, D. J., Bachelor's Retreat.

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Lecroy, H., Williston.
Lide, R. W., Dovesville.
Lide, T. P., Marion.
Littleton, D., Fall Creek.
Lee, W., Hog Back Valley, N. C.
Lewis, J. T., Anderson's Mills.
Lindsay, W. C., Columbia.
Little, N., Ridge.
Long, J. R., Gum.
Looper, T., Dacusville.
Lynes, Samuel, Strawberry.

Mahon, J. D., Crosbyville.
Mahony, H. W., Manning.
Mayfield, C. P., Pelham.
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McCracken, W. A., Fruit Hill.
McCaskill, W. S., Conwayboro.
McCoy, A. J., Taxahaw.
McDaniel, J. M., Mullin's Depot.
Moore, J. A., Mile Creek.
Moore, G. B., Darlington.
McGee, M., Honea Path.
McMillan, J. F., Marion.
McMillan, W. B., Blackville.
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Roe, D. J., Whiteville, N. C.
Riggs, T. L., Jedburg.
Rodgers, J. E., Camden.
Rodgers, R., Powellville.
Rogers, H. W., Beaver Pond.
Rhoden, J. C., Vaucluse.
Ross, W. C., Camden.
Reid, T. W., Reid.
Rogers, G. M., Piercetown.
Rogers, H. W., Beaver Pond.
Rollings, J. L., Black Mingo.
Russell, S. T., Bloomingvale.

Sanders, F. J., Barnwell.
Sanders, J. M., Walhalla.
Sanders, R. W., Chester.
Scaife, C. T., Meador.
Scott, W. P., Lynch's Lake.
Segler, J. A., Kitching's Mill.
Stewart, J. M., Anderson's Mills.
Stone, E. P., Cherryfield, N. C.
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Smith, M. E., Middle Saluda.
Smith, D. B., Chesterfield.
Smith, W. P., Glenn Springs.
Snider, W. J., Elloree.
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Stiles, C. A., Eastover.
Stone, J. H., Seneca City.
Stoudemire, J. J. H., Holly Hill.
Stout, John, Society Hill.
Suares, M. R., Barnwell.
Sweat, J. T., Stafford.

Talley, J. D., Easley.
Talley, D. B., Fairview.
Tart, W. L., Conwayboro.
Tate, W. T., Glendale.
Taylor, T. J., Kelton.
Thomas, A. J. S., Charleston.
Thomas, J. A. W., Bennettsville.
Thomasson, D. W., Garibaldi, N. C.
Thomson, S. H., Powellville.
Tolleson, T. W., Mile Creek.
Tolson, G. M., Orangeburg.
Tribble, L. W., Honea Path.

Vass, J. L., Spartanburg.
Vann, R. R., Blythewood.
Vaughan, L., Greer's Station.
Vernon, J. T. W., Andersonville.

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Wate, T. A., Cold Spring.
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Wells, W. B., Allendale.
West, Asa, Socastee.
West, J. S., Barton's Creek.
West, J., Walhalla.
Wilson, J. D., Six Mile.

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Woodward, S. W., Williston.

Zeigler, L. F., Orangeburg.

CONSTITUTION.

We, the representatives of the constituent bodies of the State Convention of the Baptist Denomination of South Carolina, do agree upon the following Articles, as forming the annexed Constitution of the Convention, and the basis of the Union:

ARTICLE I.

This body shall be styled the State Convention of the Baptist Denomination in South Carolina.

ARTICLE II.

The grand object of this Convention shall be, the union of the Baptists throughout the State in efforts for the spread of the Gospel in all lands.

The Convention, though not unwilling to give advice in cases of difficulty, yet will claim to itself no power to lord it over God's heritage, believing that the right of government, under Christ, is vested in the Churches themselves.

The special objects which this Convention will undertake to promote, shall be the preaching of the Gospel in destitute portions of the State, (to be known as State Missions); the distribution of Bibles and Testaments; the work of Colportage; and the interests of Sunday Schools, and Foreign and Domestic Missions.

ARTICLE III.

The special objects named in the foregoing Article shall be entrusted to an Executive Board, consisting of a President, a Vice-President, a Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, an Auditor, and nine other members. The said Board shall be appointed annually by this Convention, and the President of this Convention shall be *ex officio* a member of said Board. Five members of the Board shall constitute a quorum. The Corresponding Secretary shall be the Executive Officer of the Board. The said Board shall have authority to fill any vacancies occurring in its own body. It shall act under the general directions of the Convention, and shall make an annual report to the same. The Treasurer shall make an annual Report of receipts and disbursements. Besides the special objects entrusted to the Board, it shall also have authority to represent the Convention in all matters requiring attention, while the Convention is not in session.

ARTICLE IV.

The Convention shall consist of Delegates from the several Baptist Associations in this State who may approve of the measures here adopted; and from other religious bodies of the Baptist connection, concerned in the promotion of the same objects with the Convention.

Each Association shall be entitled to five delegates, irrespective of money contributions, and to one additional delegate for each twenty dollars contributed since the last session of the Convention to the work of State Missions; and any Baptist Church, Sunday School, Missionary or Education Society, or individual, shall be entitled to one delegate for each twenty dollars contributed as aforesaid for the purpose named: *Provided*, That every such delegate shall be a white member of some Baptist Church in the State or vicinity. The delegates shall be chosen annually, and satisfactory evidence of their appointment shall be exhibited to the Convention.

ARTICLE V.

The Convention shall have a President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Statistical Secretary and Treasurer. The duties severally assigned to the officers of similar organizations shall devolve on those of this body, and they shall hold their offices for one year, or until their successors are appointed, unless forfeited by unrighteous conduct.

ARTICLE VI.

The support of an Institution of Learning in this State shall be considered as a primary object. One of the designs of this Institution is to assist those who, in the judgment of their churches, are called to preach the Gospel, that they may "study to show themselves workmen approved unto God, that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Those of this character who need pecuniary aid, may receive it, at the discretion of the Executive Board, from funds appropriated to this object. The government of this Institution shall be committed to a Board of Trustees, to be elected by the Convention at the end of every fourth year.

ARTICLE VII.

Ministers of the Gospel in any of our churches needing aid in the more necessary part of learning, and unable to attend at the Institution, may be furnished with a supply of the most useful books from the general fund for educational purposes.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Convention will receive contributions, legacies and bequests for the several objects which it has in charge. And the right of conducting

the business of such funds will be considered as vested exclusively in the representatives of bodies which do regularly contribute.

All monies specially appropriated shall be sacredly applied to the objects designated; but when any contributions or bequests are made without any specific designation, discretion in their application shall be exercised by the Convention or the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IX.

The Treasurer shall take charge of all monies and other assets belonging to the Convention, and keep separate account of the amounts contributed for different objects, and render regular accounts of them to the Convention at its stated meetings, and also to the Executive Board, when called upon to do so. He shall be elected by the Convention at its stated meeting, and shall hold his office until the last day of the next meeting and until another shall be elected and enter upon the duties of his office. He shall pay no money out of the funds but by order of the Convention or Executive Board, signed by the presiding officer. And should the said office become vacant by death, resignation or removal, the said vacancy shall be filled by an election by the Executive Board, and the person so elected shall hold his office until the next stated meeting of the Convention, and until another shall be elected.

ARTICLE X.

The Convention shall have annual meetings; but in cases of important concern, the President may, at the instance of the Executive Board, call a special meeting.

ARTICLE XI.

Any alteration which experience may prove to be necessary, may be made in these Articles, by the concurring vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting.

RULES FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.

1. The meeting of the Convention shall be opened and closed each day of its session, with prayer by the President, or by some person whom he shall request to perform the service.

2. After prayer on the first day, the names of delegates shall be enrolled, officers shall be elected, and when the body is organized, applications for membership from new bodies be decided on, and, if admitted, their attending delegates shall be received by the right hand of fellowship.

3. The Minutes shall be read at suitable intervals, to the end that mistakes, if any shall have been made, may be corrected.

4. Persons invited to seats in Convention shall have the privilege of speaking in debate, but not of voting.

5. The members of Convention shall retain their seats, preserve silence and refrain from conversation during the reading of the Minutes, while the presiding officer is putting a question, or when any member is speaking in debate.

6. No member shall absent himself from the meeting of Convention without permission obtained from the President.

7. Each member, when he speaks in debate, or has any communication to make to the Convention, shall address the Chair, standing in his place, and when he has finished he shall sit down.

8. No member shall speak oftener than twice in any one debate on the same day without permission from the Convention.

9. When two or more members rise nearly at the same time to address the Convention, the President shall name the one to speak, being the one who had first risen and addressed the Chair. After he shall have spoken, those who had risen with him shall be heard in the order of their rising, in priority of all others, should they still desire to be heard.

10. When a member shall be called to order, he shall sit down until the Chair determines whether he is in order or not. An appeal, however, may be made from the decision of the Chair to the Convention.

11. No motion shall be debated, nor the question upon it be put, unless it shall have been seconded; and then if required by the President or any member, it shall be reduced to writing, delivered in at the table, and read before the debate begins.

12. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, or to amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand there arranged. Neither of these motions, with the exception of that to adjourn, after being decided, shall be allowed again on the same day upon the same question.

13. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, except when a question is actually put, and the Convention is engaged in voting.

14. If the question for debate contain several points, it may be divided at the request of any member.

15. In filling up blanks, the largest sum and the longest time shall be first put.

16. When a question has been once made, and the vote taken, it shall be in order for any member in the majority to move for its re-consideration.

17. All questions shall be put by the President, and the members shall respectively signify their assent by answering "Aye," and their dissent by answering "No." If the President, or any member, shall not be satisfied that the decision expressed by the ayes and noes is certainly ascertained, the President shall request those who voted in the affirmative to rise and stand until they shall be counted. After these shall be seated, the President shall request those who voted in the negative to rise and stand until they shall be counted. In the event of an equal division, the President shall have the casting vote.

18. When the President shall desire to be heard in debate, or to be temporarily absent, the Chair shall be taken by the Vice-President; or in case of his absence, by some member named by the President, until he shall resume his seat.

19. The following standing Committees, to consist of five members each, shall be appointed by the President at the commencement of each session, viz.:

A Committee to arrange the preaching during the meeting.

A Committee on Accounts.

A Committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting, and the Person who shall Preach the Stated Sermon of the Convention's appointment.

A Committee on Nomination of an Executive Board.

20. A Standing Committee on Obituary Notices shall be appointed, to be made up of one member from each Association, with the addition of a Chairman, to gather, during the year, facts concerning deceased ministers and others, and to prepare suitable notices of them, to be reported at the ensuing meeting of this Convention.

21. Two standing Committees—one on Foreign Missions, and one on Home Missions—consisting of five members each, shall be appointed to gather information and report respectively, at the ensuing meeting of the Convention.

22. Any of the foregoing Rules may be suspended, at any meeting of the Convention, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

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